

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action of August 11, 2010. Reconsideration and allowance of the application in view of the amendments made above and the remarks to follow are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-18 and 21-22 are pending in the Application. Claims 19 and 20 are canceled herein, without prejudice. The Applicants respectfully reserve the right to reintroduce subject matter deleted herein, either at a later time during the prosecution of this application or any continuing applications.

In the Office Action, claims 6, 14 and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as allegedly directed to non-statutory subject matter. Without agreeing with the position forwarded in the Office Action, and in the interest of furthering the prosecution and expediting allowance of the present Application, claim 6 is amended in accordance with the suggestion provided in the Office Action for better form tied to a statutory category. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 6, 14 and 15 are in proper form and it is respectfully requested that this rejection under 35 U.S.C. §101, be withdrawn.

The Applicants appreciate the indication of the Examiner expressed in this Office Action and in the Final Office Action of March 16, 2010 that in effect, the limitations of claims 19 and 20 together "with the additional limitation of determining the size and layout of the virtual playfield according to the type of detected game as currently being played, would in the examiner's opinion be allowable." In the interest of advancing consideration and allowance of the claims, the Applicants have elected to include these limitations into

each of independent claims 1, 5, 6, 7 and 22.

Based on the foregoing, the Applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 1, 5, 6, 7 and 22 are patentable and notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. Claims 2-4, and 8-18 and 21 respectively depend from one of claims 1, 5, 6 and 7 and accordingly are allowable for at least this reason as well as for the separately patentable elements contained in each of the claims.

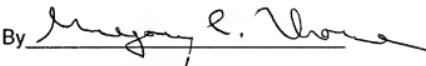
Accordingly, separate consideration of each of the dependent claims is respectfully requested.

In addition, Applicants deny any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicants reserve the right to submit further arguments in support of the above stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

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Applicants have made a diligent and sincere effort to place this application in condition for immediate allowance and notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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